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LENINGPAD GAS SYSTEM CONTINUES EXPANSION -- Leningradskaya Pravda, No 160, 9 Jul 49

The Administration of Gas Economy announces that during the first 6 months of 1949 in Leningrad 39,300 meters of new street gas lines were put into use, and gas service was extended to 24,175 additional apartments. At present 73,646 apartments use gas, and 120,000 stoves, heaters, etc. have been installed in these apartments. The total length of the Leningrad gas system were 198 kilometers as of 1 July 1949. Gas is used for heating in 199 industrial and communal welfare enterprises. In the near future the baths on Pechaykovskiy ulitsa and Voronezhskaya ulitsa, and Bakery No 6 will be included in the gas network.

Leningradskaya Pravda, No 173, 24 Jul 49

The "Gazteploproyekt" Trust is completing the technical plans for the second unit of the Leningrad gas-supply system. According to N. L. Staskevich, chief engineer of the Trust, work to supply gas to other regions of the city will begin as soon as facilities have been completed in the central part of the city.

Vasil'yevskiy Ostrov residents will be the first to receive gas. It is planned to lay about 60 kilometers of street mains and to install a series of regulating stations and a storage tank. The plan calls for the construction of a 5-kilometer underwater passage to supply shale gas to Vasil'yevskiy Ostrov. According to calculations, this passage, although it will involve complex hydrotechnical work, none the less will cost considerably less than the construction of a surface line. By the end of 1950, up to 60 percent of Vasil'yevskiy Ostrov homes should receive gas. In 1951, gas-supply facilities for Vasil'ostrovskiy and Sverdlovskiy rayons should be completed.

The plan for the second unit also provides for the installation of gas facilities in Moskovskiy and Kirovskiy rayons. Construction and assembly work in the south part of the city is scheduled to begin in 1950.

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Along with the installation of gas facilities, installation of heating facilities in Smol'ninskiy Rayon is developing on a large scale. This year the lines of the heating system should be laid in Perekup, Kirillov, and Konnaya streets, Krasnaya Square, etc.

Leningradskaya Pravda, No 179, 31 Jul 49

The Administration of "Lengazset'stroy" (Leningrad Gas System Construction) has completed about 7 kilometers of new street gas mains. Underground lines have been completed on Nekrasova, Rakova, Potemkinskaya, Myasnaya, and Uprazhennyy streets, as well as on Dzerzhinskiy Street from Admiralteyskiy prospekt to Griboyedov Canal. Work is being completed on a line in Nevskiy prospekt between the bank of Fontanka Canal and the Moyka River, as well as on Gertsena, Bolynskiy, Moshkovoy, Aptekarskiy, and Derptskiy streets.

MOSCOW APARTMENTS USE SARATOV GAS -- Pravda Ukrainy, No 163, 13 Jul 49

At present 200,000 apartments in Moscow are using gas piped from Saratov.

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